

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 975  
By Bowers

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Kizzie Vanessa  
Redd Akins, graduate of Philander Smith  
College.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kizzie Vanessa Redd Akins is one such exceptional student who will graduate from Philander Smith College on May 13, 2006; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Akins has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable collegiate career, Kizzie Akins has earned an exemplary grade point average, a testament to her diligent study habits and academic talents and abilities; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Vivian L. and Henri D. Akins, Kizzie Akins was born on March 27, 1957, and she is the mother of two wonderful sons, Michael and Andrew; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Hall High School, she also attended the University of Arkansas-Little Rock; and

WHEREAS, the epitome of the American entrepreneurial spirit, Ms. Akins owns and operates a hair and barber salon and retail establishment, where she sells beauty and hair products; and

WHEREAS, Kizzie Akins has worked assiduously as an administrative assistant at the University of Arkansas Medical School, and she presently serves with acumen and alacrity as the registrar at Crystal Hills Magnet School in Pulaski County, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to excellence in every endeavor, Kizzie Akins aspires to attend law school and become an attorney; and

WHEREAS, Kizzie Akins's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her college, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Akins's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2006 Philander Smith College graduate, Kizzie Vannessa Redd Akins, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.